06 LC 37 0204

House Resolution 2196

By: Representative Loudermilk of the 14th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Mr. Shirley C. Loudermilk for his service to his country, state, and community;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Shirley C. Loudermilk was born in 1922 in the Appalachian Mountain
- 4 community of Walhalla, South Carolina; and
- 5 WHEREAS, at an early age, Mr. Loudermilk joined the Civil Conservation Corps created
- 6 by an act of Congress in 1933; and
- 7 WHEREAS, through his service in this peacetime conservation army, S.C. Loudermilk
- 8 participated in several conservation, environmental, and civil development projects
- 9 throughout the southern and western United States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, following the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, fulfilling his
- 11 country's call, he enlisted in the United States Army; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was deployed to the European Theater during World War II, distinguishing
- 13 himself as a member of the 101st Medical Evacuation Hospital assigned to the 3rd Army
- 14 under General George Patton during the Nazi invasion of the Ardennes known as the Battle
- 15 of the Bulge; and
- 16 WHEREAS, during that Battle he played a vital role in rescuing and rendering aid and
- 17 assistance to his fellow servicemen who were wounded during the fierce fighting and those
- 18 who had succumbed to the harsh winter conditions; and
- 19 WHEREAS, after leaving the Army at the end of World War II, he continued his service to
- 20 ensure the security of the United States by volunteering to face the severe arctic climate of

06 LC 37 0204

1 Greenland's Northern Ice Cap to assist in the building of our nation's first defense early

- 2 warning radar system; and
- 3 WHEREAS, following his service in Greenland, S.C. Loudermilk worked with security
- 4 forces at the Savannah River Plant which were responsible for protecting our nation's nuclear
- 5 weapons research and development facility; and
- 6 WHEREAS, as a long-time resident of the State of Georgia, Mr. Shirley C. Loudermilk has,
- 7 in the spirit of a Christian and a Patriot, consistently devoted his time, efforts, and energy to
- 8 the service of others.
- 9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 10 the members of this body join to commend Mr. Shirley C. Loudermilk for his dedicated and
- valiant service to the United States of America and to the citizens of the State of Georgia.
- 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Shirley C. Loudermilk.